

# Pre-Final Test Examination, 2021

## H.S. Second Year (Arts)

### Alternative English

Full Marks : 100

Time: 3 hours

*(The figures in the margine indicate full for the questions.)*

#### Group - A (VIBGYOR)

1. Answer any five of the following : 1x5=5
  - (a) What was the name of the verger of St. Peter's Church?
  - (b) What is Jim's full name?
  - (c) Where does the verger work?
  - (d) Where was St. Peter's Church located?
  - (e) What was the Jim's gift for Della?
  - (f) Where did the scare crow ask Mriganko Babu to look for his watch?
  - (g) What was the name of Mriganko Babu's driver?
2. Answer any five of the following : 2x5=10
  - (a) Why did Mriganko Babu go to Durgapur?
  - (b) What was the Jim's reaction when he returned home?
  - (c) Why was Della worried?
  - (d) What was the discovery that astonished the vicar?
  - (e) What was the verger told by the vicar in the vestry?
  - (f) Who were the Magi?
3. Answer any three of the following. 4x3=12
  - (a) Narrate the circumstances under which the verger had to lose his job in St. Peter's church.
  - (b) Describe the scarecrow as seen by Mriganko Babu from the beginning to the moment when it adresses him as 'Babu'!
  - (c) Bring out the relation between Jim and King Solomon.
  - (d) Show how the twist in the tale makes the story of Jim and Della a moral lesson.
4. Explain with reference to the context any two of the following : 4x2=8
  - (a) "He's been nagging them he'as. "said the verger to himself".
  - (b) Mriganko Babu tried very hard but failed to remember. Yet he felt sure that he had seen someone wear such a shirt, a long time ago.

(c) Della finished her cry and attended to her checks with the power rag. She stood by the window and looked out dully at a grey cat walking a grey fence in a grey backyeard.

5. Answer any five of the following : 1x5=5

- (a) Name the poet of "Ozymandias of Egypt".
- (b) What words did the lady utter?
- (c) Where did the knight meet the lady?
- (d) Who dwells in peace in the forest in "Sita"?
- (e) How many children listen to the story?
- (f) Who is the narrator of the story in "Sita"?

6. Answer any four the the following : 2x4=8

- (a) Name the birds and animals mentioned in Toru Dutta's poem.
- (b) What did the lady give to the knight at Arms?
- (c) What did the traveller come upon in the desert?
- (d) What does the poet remember when she listens to the story?
- (e) What did the lady do in her cave?

7. Answer any three of the following : 4x3=12

- (a) Attempt a description of the dream that the knight has in the cave.
- (b) How are the children affected by the mother's song?
- (c) Give a description of the lady.
- (d) What does "Wrinkled lip and sneer of cold command" signify?

8. Explain with reference to the context of the following : 5x1=5

- (i) She found me roots of relish sweet,  
And honey wild, and manna dew,  
And sure in language strange she said -  
"I love thee trve."

### Group - B

9. Change any five of the following sentences as per the directions given in brackets without changing their meaning : 1x5=5

- (a) She is known to me. (change into active)
- (b) I left my phone behind at your place (change into interrogative).
- (c) He placed the book on the table. (Change into passive)
- (d) Only corrupt people are protesting against demonetization (Change into negative).
- (e) Wasn't kothanodi a unique film? (Change into assertive)

(f) Who does not know that the sun shines in the East. (Change into affirmative)

10. Add tag questions to any five of the following sentences : 1x5=5

- (a) You will show me your new bike.
- (b) Your computer hasn't crashed.
- (c) Out winters are very pleasant.
- (d) Rome was not built in a day.
- (e) Your house faces the river.

11. Fill in any five of the blanks in the sentences given below with suitable preposition:

1x5=5

- (a) A bird \_\_\_\_\_ hand is worth two in the bush.
- (b) I have left your watch \_\_\_\_\_ the drawer.
- (c) He dived \_\_\_\_\_ the swimming pool.
- (d) Who stole the cookie \_\_\_\_\_ the cookie jar?
- (e) I had just a few coins left \_\_\_\_\_ my pocket.
- (f) Seeing the lion, the leopard ran \_\_\_\_\_ the tree.

12. Rewrite any five of the following sentences using the verbs given in brackets in their correct forms : 1x5=5

- (a) We \_\_\_\_\_ (go) to Shimla last winter.
- (b) It \_\_\_\_\_ (snow) heavily when we got there.
- (c) He \_\_\_\_\_ (commute) by bus everyday.
- (d) By the time the police arrived, the thief \_\_\_\_\_ (flee)
- (e) The harder he \_\_\_\_\_ (try) the better he gets.
- (f) We \_\_\_\_\_ (hunt) high and low for a foot to git the slipper.

13. Read the passage given below and answer the questions that follow :

The mountains that clustered arround Bafert were mauve and grey in the dim morning light, striped and patterned with deep purple and black in the vollays, where it was still night. The sky was magnificent, black in the west where the last stars quivered, jade green above me, fading to the palest kingfisher blue at the eastern rim of hills. I learnt on the wall of th veramdah where a great web of bougainvillaea had grown, like a carelessly flung cloak of brick red flowers, and looked down the long flight of steps to the road below, and beyond it to the Fon's courtyard. Down the road, from both directions, came a steady stream of people, laughing and talking and beating on small drums when the mood took them. The children trotted along carrying smaller bundles of their saplings. They made their way down past the arched opening into the Fon's courtyard and deposited their grass in heaps under the trees by the side of the road. They were a happy, excited, eager throng.

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| (a) What is the name of the place being described?    | 1 |
| (b) Attempt a description of the sky.                 | 2 |
| (c) What are the colours mentioned in the piece?      | 3 |
| (d) Where is the author and what is he doing?         | 3 |
| (e) What were the people carrying on their shoulders? | 2 |
| (f) Describe the scene in the Fon's courtyard.        | 4 |

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